

an optical nanoparticle, a MRI-active nanoparticle, and optionally comprises a catalytic element,

introducing a sample suspected of comprising an analyte into the sample zone, wherein the analyte combines with the coded magnetic affinity complex to form a coded magnetic binding complex,

activating a microcoil array or a mechanically movable permanent magnet functionally coupled to the fluidic network to thereby move the coded magnetic binding complex to a first affinity surface without fluidic movement of a fluid in the plurality of the fluidic zones, forming a bound coded magnetic binding complex,

detaching the code from the bound coded magnetic binding complex,

providing a magnetic signal affinity complex, wherein the detached code binds to the magnetic signal particle to form a coded magnetic signal binding complex,

activating the microcoil array or mechanically movable permanent magnet to move the coded signal binding complex to the detection zone comprising a second affinity surface, forming a bound coded signal binding complex, and

detecting the bound coded signal binding complex within the detection zone using a detection element functionally coupled to the fluidic network.

20. The method of claim 19, wherein the magnetic signal affinity complex comprises a SERS-active nanoparticle or a fluorescent nanoparticle.

21. The method of claim 19, wherein the magnetic signal affinity complex comprises a catalytic element.

22. The method of claim 21, wherein the catalytic element is selected from the group consisting of alkaline phosphatase, horseradish peroxidase, glucose oxidase, glucose oxidase and horseradish peroxidase, firefly luciferase, *Renilla luciferase*, bacterial luciferase, an enzyme or analogs or combinations thereof.

23. The method of claim 21, wherein the catalytic element is conjugated through a functionalized polymer.

24. The method of claim 21, wherein a reaction substrate for the catalytic element is in the detection zone.

25. The method of claim 24, wherein the reaction substrate is selected from the group consisting of Lumi-Phos 480, Lumi-Phos 530, Lumi-Phos Plus, Lumi-Phos APS-5, Lumi-

gen TMA-6, Lumigen PS-atto, Lumigen PS-1, Lumigen PS-2, Lumigen PS-3, H₂O₂ with an oxidizable compound, Lumi-Gal 530, Amplex Red, 3,5,3',5'-tetramethylbenzidine (TMB), glucose, O₂, ATP, Mg²⁺, luciferin, aminoluciferin, quinolinyl luciferin, coelentrastazine, aldehyde, FMNH₂, and analogs and derivatives, and combinations thereof.

26. The method of claim 21, wherein the fluidic zones contain an appropriate buffer.

27. The method of claim 19, wherein the coded magnetic binding complex and/or the coded signal binding complex are moved to a cleaning zone by activating the microcoil array or mechanically moveable permanent magnet, wherein the vibration element is activated to aggregate and de-aggregate the complex to thereby remove unbound coded magnetic affinity complex, detached code, and/or magnetic signal affinity complex.

28. The method of claim 19, wherein the detection element is an optical detection element or an electrical detection element.

29. A method of detecting an analyte, comprising providing a magnetic signal affinity complex in a fluidic network comprising a plurality of fluidic zones, wherein the plurality of fluidic zones comprises a sample zone, a cleaning zone, and a detection zone, wherein the fluidic network is functionally coupled to a vibration element, and wherein the magnetic signal affinity complex comprises a SERS-active nanoparticle, a fluorescent nanoparticle, and/or comprises a catalytic element,

introducing a sample suspected of an analyte into the sample zone, wherein the analyte combines with the magnetic signal affinity complex to form a magnetic signal binding complex,

activating a microcoil array or a mechanically movable permanent magnet functionally coupled to the fluidic network to thereby move the magnetic signal binding complex to the detection zone without fluidic movement of a fluid in the plurality of the fluidic zones,

detecting the presence of the binding complex within the detection zone using a detection element functionally coupled to the fluidic network, wherein the detection element is an optical detection element or an electrical detection element.

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